Patton As A Catholic

Critical Words from General Patton:

Yes — a lot of post-war planning was already underway during WWII, and in several cases it was formalized before the war ended.

Examples include:

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  Atlantic Charter (1941): broad Allied goals for the postwar world (self-determination, trade, etc.).

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  Bretton Woods (1944): design of the postwar financial order (IMF/World Bank framework).

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  Dumbarton Oaks (1944) and Yalta/Potsdam (1945): governance and security arrangements that fed directly into the UN and postwar occupation policy.

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  Occupation / civil affairs planning: done within Allied military and political structures well before Germany surrendered, because administering liberated/defeated territory required plans, staffing, and doctrine.

About your Patton claim (“invited into that planning while he was still alive”)

In the Patton As A Catholic HTML you uploaded, the strongest “planning” anchor that’s actually mentioned is an Instagram-attributed claim that Patton wrote (July 23, 1945) he’d been at “Frankfurt for a civil government conference” (i.e., civil affairs/occupation governance), and the text around it frames this as part of reconstruction/reeducation planning.

A few important distinctions if you want this to land cleanly in your book:

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  July 1945 is post-VE Day (Germany surrendered in May 1945). So that supports "Patton was pulled into occupation/civil government planning before his death," but it does not by itself support "wartime postwar-map planning during the war," unless you also cite earlier involvement.

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  The excerpt as presented is secondary/tertiary (Instagram quoting an alleged letter). For publication-grade confidence, you'll want a primary source:

Primary-source options you could use:

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  Patton's diary entries for the relevant dates,

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  the actual letter (with archive provenance),

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  or official conference records / attendance lists from the civil affairs meetings.

How to make your argument robust

If your thesis is: "Postwar architecture was planned during the war, and Patton was brought into at least some of it while alive," the strongest structure is:

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  Cite the wartime planning milestones (Atlantic Charter, Bretton Woods, UN planning, early occupation doctrine).

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  Then separately document Patton's role in occupation/civil affairs planning (which may be late-war or post-VE day), using primary records.

> If you paste the exact paragraph from your “Patton piece” where you make the claim about him being “invited into that planning,” I can help rewrite it so it (a) keeps your point, (b) stays chronologically tight, and (c) flags where you need a primary citation versus where you can rely on general postwar-planning history.

There are voices in the Catholic community Patton began to express doubts about Great Brittain. These are not only in these quotes but more widely quoted. In the following quotes in part alledged to be in a letter he had written to his wife Patton (who was kown to be devoutley Catholic) wondered if the USA had fought on the wrong side of the war. This is sometimes mixed with anti-semitism and British plans for the Balfour Decree and I Ed Donegan do not know of post war planning and Isreal in 1947 might have been discussed but the contrasting quote is "This is why we fight" is credible and well supported by photographs at Camp Buchwald and his discovery there of the war of Franz Kutschera and Himmler.

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- He wrote his wife on July 23, 1945: “*I have been at Frankfurt for a civil government conference* [Where Donald Barr would become part of the recontruction and reeducatoin of Germany]. If what we are doing to the Germans is ‘liberty’, then give me death. I can’t see how Americans can sink so low. It is Semitic, and I am sure of it.”

- “Today we received orders in which we were told to give the Jews special accommodations. If for Jews, why not Catholics, Mormons, etc?… We are also turning over to the French several hundred thousand prisoners of war to be used as slave labor in France. It is amusing to recall that we fought the Revolution in defense of the rights of man and the Civil War to abolish slavery and have now gone back on both principles.”
- ➜ A letter to his wife saying, "Evidently the virus started by **Morgenthau** (Secretary of Treasury) https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Henry_Morgenthau_Jr. and https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Morgenthau_Plan of a Semitic revenge against all Germans is still working... I can't see how Americans can sink so low."
- ➜ "if we have to fight them(Soviets), now is the time. From now on we will get weaker and they stronger."
- ➜ General Patton even voiced his concerns publicly in July 1945: “Gentlemen, I have come this morning to the inexcusable conclusion that we have fought on the wrong side. This entire war we should have fought with Germany against the Communists and not the other way around.
  I fear that perhaps in fifty years America will pay a dear price and become a land of corruption and degenerate morals.”

- ➜ General George S. Patton died in a Heidelberg, Germany hospital in December 1945, due to complications from a broken neck he had sutained eleven days eariler in a minor automobile accident. No official report was made of the incident, and there was no autopsy allowed. The postmortem findings remain classified to this day. #GeneralPatton #History #WWII #CatholicTavern
- ➜ As Catholics, we were given a spiritual gene to discern the truth. We know that we have been in a battle within this fallen world since the day we were conceived. We recognize that there is a Holy War, not between flesh and blood, but against principalities and powers, and rulers of darkness of this world. Remove yourself from this world and seek the truth. No matter the consequences, no matter the ridicule.
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